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Attn: Mr. Elliott J. Gold

Re: U.S. Patent Application No. 10/531,238
Vince CICCONE et al
Your Ref.: 39163-0094/EJG - Our Ref.: TPP 31759

Dear Mr. Gold:

We are pleased to enclose the Notice of Allowance for this application. The Issue Fee is due on or before October 02, 2007.

As you know, under our practice, a continuing application (CPA, continuation, division, or continuation-in-part) can be filed to cover related subject matter not encompassed by the presently allowed claims. This may include subject matter disclosed in this application or (in the case of continuation-in-part) undisclosed improvements. Such applications must be filed prior to the issuance of the present patent and preferably prior to payment of the Issue Fee.

You and the applicant are under a continuing duty under 37 CFR 1.56 (Rule 56) to disclose any prior art or other information of which you are aware which is material to the patentability of at least one pending claim under consideration in the application. At this juncture, prior to payment of the issue fee, such information will be considered only if accompanied by a petition and fee [currently \$130] and a certification that the prior art being cited was not known more than three months prior to the filing of the certification. If such prior art comes from the prosecution of a corresponding foreign application, you should provide copies of the foreign patent office papers (i.e. the search report including the page showing the mailing date).

After the issue fee has been paid, such prior art will not be considered unless the application is withdrawn from issue and abandoned in favor of a continuation application. Therefore, if there is any such prior art, we suggest you provide it as soon as possible, so that it will be considered before payment of the issue fee.

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We trust the foregoing is to your satisfaction; however, please do not hesitate to contact us if you have any questions. In the meanwhile, we take this opportunity to enclose our debit note for services rendered.

Very truly yours,

Marilyn V. Johnson

for Thomas P. Pavelko

TPP/mvj
Enclosures

Notice of Allowance dated July 2, 2007
Final Review of Application Prior to Issue



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ISSUE FEE DUE

DATE DUE 10-2-07

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EXAMINER

DAVIS, ROBERT B

ART UNIT

PAPER NUMBER

1722

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APPLICATION NO.	FILING DATE	FIRST NAMED INVENTOR	ATTORNEY DOCKET NO.	CONFIRMATION NO.
10/531,238	04/14/2005	Vince Ciccone	TPP 31759	7869

TITLE OF INVENTION: INTERCHANGEABLE MOLD INSERT SYSTEM

APPLN. TYPE	SMALL ENTITY	ISSUE FEE DUE	PUBLICATION FEE DUE	PREV. PAID ISSUE FEE	TOTAL FEE(S) DUE	DATE DUE
nonprovisional	NO	\$1400	\$300	\$0	\$1700	10/02/2007

THE APPLICATION IDENTIFIED ABOVE HAS BEEN EXAMINED AND IS ALLOWED FOR ISSUANCE AS A PATENT. PROSECUTION ON THE MERITS IS CLOSED. THIS NOTICE OF ALLOWANCE IS NOT A GRANT OF PATENT RIGHTS. THIS APPLICATION IS SUBJECT TO WITHDRAWAL FROM ISSUE AT THE INITIATIVE OF THE OFFICE OR UPON PETITION BY THE APPLICANT. SEE 37 CFR 1.313 AND MPEP 1308.

THE ISSUE FEE AND PUBLICATION FEE (IF REQUIRED) MUST BE PAID WITHIN THREE MONTHS FROM THE MAILING DATE OF THIS NOTICE OR THIS APPLICATION SHALL BE REGARDED AS ABANDONED. THIS STATUTORY PERIOD CANNOT BE EXTENDED. SEE 35 U.S.C. 151. THE ISSUE FEE DUE INDICATED ABOVE DOES NOT REFLECT A CREDIT FOR ANY PREVIOUSLY PAID ISSUE FEE IN THIS APPLICATION. IF AN ISSUE FEE HAS PREVIOUSLY BEEN PAID IN THIS APPLICATION (AS SHOWN ABOVE), THE RETURN OF PART B OF THIS FORM WILL BE CONSIDERED A REQUEST TO REAPPLY THE PREVIOUSLY PAID ISSUE FEE TOWARD THE ISSUE FEE NOW DUE.

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If the SMALL ENTITY is shown as NO:

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B. If applicant claimed SMALL ENTITY status before, or is now claiming SMALL ENTITY status, check box 5a on Part B - Fee(s) Transmittal and pay the PUBLICATION FEE (if required) and 1/2 the ISSUE FEE shown above.

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1. Change of correspondence address or indication of "Fee Address" (37 CFR 1.363).

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Please check the appropriate assignee category or categories (will not be printed on the patent): Individual Corporation or other private group entity Government

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 The Director is hereby authorized to charge the required fee(s), any deficiency, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account Number _____ (enclose an extra copy of this form).

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a. Applicant claims SMALL ENTITY status. See 37 CFR 1.27. b. Applicant is no longer claiming SMALL ENTITY status. See 37 CFR 1.27(g)(2).

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Determination of Patent Term Adjustment under 35 U.S.C. 154 (b) (application filed on or after May 29, 2000)

The Patent Term Adjustment to date is 48 day(s). If the issue fee is paid on the date that is three months after the mailing date of this notice and the patent issues on the Tuesday before the date that is 28 weeks (six and a half months) after the mailing date of this notice, the Patent Term Adjustment will be 48 day(s).

If a Continued Prosecution Application (CPA) was filed in the above-identified application, the filing date that determines Patent Term Adjustment is the filing date of the most recent CPA.

Applicant will be able to obtain more detailed information by accessing the Patent Application Information Retrieval (PAIR) WEB site (<http://pair.uspto.gov>).

Any questions regarding the Patent Term Extension or Adjustment determination should be directed to the Office of Patent Legal Administration at (571)-272-7702. Questions relating to issue and publication fee payments should be directed to the Customer Service Center of the Office of Patent Publication at 1-(888)-786-0101 or (571)-272-4200.

Notice of Allowability	Application No.	Applicant(s)
	10/531,238	CICCONE ET AL.
	Examiner	Art Unit
	Robert B. Davis	1722

-- The MAILING DATE of this communication appears on the cover sheet with the correspondence address--

All claims being allowable, PROSECUTION ON THE MERITS IS (OR REMAINS) CLOSED in this application. If not included herewith (or previously mailed), a Notice of Allowance (PTO-85) or other appropriate communication will be mailed in due course. **THIS NOTICE OF ALLOWABILITY IS NOT A GRANT OF PATENT RIGHTS.** This application is subject to withdrawal from issue at the initiative of the Office or upon petition by the applicant. See 37 CFR 1.313 and MPEP 1308.

1. This communication is responsive to the amendment filed February 20, 2007.
2. The allowed claim(s) is/are 16-28 (renumbered as claims 1-13, respectively).
3. Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
 - a) All
 - b) Some*
 - c) None
 of the:
 1. Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
 2. Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No. _____.
 3. Copies of the certified copies of the priority documents have been received in this national stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)).

* Certified copies not received: _____.

Applicant has THREE MONTHS FROM THE "MAILING DATE" of this communication to file a reply complying with the requirements noted below. Failure to timely comply will result in ABANDONMENT of this application.
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4. A SUBSTITUTE OATH OR DECLARATION must be submitted. Note the attached EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT or NOTICE OF INFORMAL PATENT APPLICATION (PTO-152) which gives reason(s) why the oath or declaration is deficient.
5. CORRECTED DRAWINGS (as "replacement sheets") must be submitted.
 - (a) including changes required by the Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948) attached
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Identifying indicia such as the application number (see 37 CFR 1.84(c)) should be written on the drawings in the front (not the back) of each sheet. Replacement sheet(s) should be labeled as such in the header according to 37 CFR 1.121(d).
6. DEPOSIT OF and/or INFORMATION about the deposit of BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL must be submitted. Note the attached Examiner's comment regarding REQUIREMENT FOR THE DEPOSIT OF BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL.

Attachment(s)

1. Notice of References Cited (PTO-892)
2. Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948)
3. Information Disclosure Statements (PTO/SB/08),
Paper No./Mail Date 8/22/2005.
4. Examiner's Comment Regarding Requirement for Deposit of Biological Material
5. Notice of Informal Patent Application
6. Interview Summary (PTO-413),
Paper No./Mail Date _____.
7. Examiner's Amendment/Comment
8. Examiner's Statement of Reasons for Allowance
9. Other _____.

Robert B. Davis
Primary Examiner
Art Unit: 1722

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U.S. PATENT DOCUMENTS

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OTHER DOCUMENTS (Including Author, Title, Date, Pertinent Pages, Etc.)

D.H.	"Injection Molding Handbook"; ROSATO D V; pages 282-285, figures 4-77, No date.
D.H.	"Voltauschbares Werkzeug-Wechselsystem"; Plastverarbeiter, Zechner Und Huethig, vol. 45, Nr. 5, pages 42-43, figure 2, January 1994.

EXAMINER DATE CONSIDERED 9-1-6

EXAMINER: Initial if citation is considered, draw line through citation if not in conformance and not considered. Include copy of this form with next communication to applicant.

(Form PTO-1449 (6-4))

X* - English language attached

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